CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) Gas regulating fitting for a gas fire or the like ~~with~~ comprising:

a housing defining a gas inlet (2), a pilot gas outlet (3), a main gas outlet (4), and an initial aperture (16) having a first opening in fluidic communication with the gas inlet (2), a second opening in fluidic communication with the main gas outlet (4), and a third opening in fluidic communication with the pilot gas outlet (3);

a thermoelectric flame failure device valve (17) disposed between the gas inlet (2) and the initial aperture (16) for opening and closing the first opening to regulate gas flow between the gas inlet (2) and the initial aperture (16); ~~and~~

a main valve (35) disposed between the initial aperture (16) and the main gas outlet (4) for opening and closing the second opening to regulate gas flow between the initial aperture (16) and the main gas outlet (4);

wherein the valves ~~which~~ serve jointly both as a flame failure device and as a means of dividing the flow of gas into a flow of gas for a main burner (33) via the main gas outlet (4) and a pilot burner (32) via the pilot gas outlet (3), ~~with~~

a control unit (8) positioned downstream of the main valve (35) for controlling the flow of gas flowing to the main burner (33); and ~~with additional, secondary functional elements, wherein the gas regulating fitting has~~

a sensor (34) ~~by means of which~~ for ascertaining the operating condition of the main burner (33) ~~is ascertained~~, whereby the sensor (34) is connected to the thermoelectric flame failure device valve (17) in such a way that on a change in the operating condition of the main burner (33) from "On" to "Off", a signal emitted by the

sensor (34) ~~causes~~ causing the thermoelectric flame failure device valve (17) to ~~assume its closed position~~ close the first opening.

2. (Currently Amended) Gas regulating fitting according to ~~patent~~ claim 1, wherein a time delay element is positioned between the sensor (34) and the thermoelectric flame failure device valve (17).

3. (Currently Amended) Gas regulating fitting according to ~~patent~~ claim 1 or 2, wherein the sensor (34) ~~consists of~~ includes a flow sensor which ascertains the operating condition of the main burner (33) via the flow of gas flowing to the main burner (33).

4. (Currently Amended) Gas regulating fitting according to ~~patent~~ claim 1 or 2, wherein the sensor (34) ~~consists of~~ includes a temperature sensor which ascertains the operating condition of the main burner (33) via the temperature at the main burner (33).

5. (Currently Amended) Gas regulating fitting according to ~~patent~~ claim 1 or 2, wherein the sensor (34) is connected to the control unit (8) in order to ascertain the operating condition of the main burner (33).